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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GREEKS CHEER FOR WAR.

REINFORCEMENTS TO FIGHT TURKISH NATIONALISTS.

ATHENS, March 20.

The 1913, 1914, and 1915 classes have been called to the colours to reinforce the Greek troops in Anatolia. There were crowds in the streets cheering Greece and the war. The King in a message to the Greeks declares that the Turkish Nationalists are again attempting to overthrow the situation established by the Treaty of Sevres and are concentrating against the Greeks. Reinforcements are necessary to protect the Greek populations and to secure the definitive pacification of the Orient which Greece is pursuing jointly with the Allies.

NEAR EAST.

TURKS REPORTED PLEASED WITH LONDON DECISIONS.

PARIS, March 20.

A despatch from Constantinople announces that Turkey is very satisfied with the results of the London conference with regard to questions concerning Cilicia, Syria and Anatolia. Turkey states that at last the British standpoint concerning Constantinople, the Dardanelles, Armenia and Kurdistan is cleared up. Consequently all questions between Turkey and the Allies have been more ready of solution. The only contested point preventing Near East peace is the contest between Turkey and Greece over Smyrna and Thrace.—Havas.

FRENCH GENERAL'S MISSION.

PARIS, March 20.

General Gouraud leaves on March 22 for Constantinople where he will confer with General Pelle, the Allied High Commissioner and will go to Beyrouth after visiting the Sultan and Grand Vizier.—Havas.

FATAL CHICAGO EXPLOSION.

WORLD'S LARGEST GRAIN ELEVATOR WRECKED.

CHICAGO, March 20.

An explosion due to the ignition of grain dust wrecked the world's largest grain elevator, shattering windows in neighbouring towns. One person was killed and four are missing. Half a million bushels of grain were destroyed. The damage amounts to \$600,000.

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS.

CONFERENCE DISCUSSES FREEDOM OF TRANSIT.

BARCELONA, March 20.

The Communications Conference adopted article seven of the draft convention dealing with restrictions on liberty of transit providing maintenance of the principle of the Freedom of transit without affecting the measures of national security which each State may need to take in emergencies. Article ten abrogating all previous international agreements incompatible with the proposed convention was referred to a sub-committee. Some countries favoured preservation of existing treaties alongside the convention. Others headed eight providing the maintenance of the utmost freedom of transit during war compatible with the rights and duties of belligerents and neutrals were also referred to a committee.

LOSS OF THE K 5.

MOVING MEMORIAL SERVICE AT SEA.

AN IMPOSING SPECTACLE.

LONDON, March 21.

A moving ceremony at sea a hundred miles from the Scilly Isles, was performed yesterday afternoon when 14,000 officers and men of the Atlantic Fleet returning from the spring cruise, participated in a solemn service in memory of their comrades who lost their lives in the K 5 disaster. The Admiralty announcement describes the scene as follows: A force of six battleships, two battle cruisers, six light cruisers, seventeen destroyers, and an aircraft carrier under orders from Vice-Admiral Sir Sidney Fremantle approached the scene of the disaster in an imposing formation. After the fleet had stopped engines as far as typical seagoing weather would admit, the colours were half-masted and a memorial service was held aboard the flagship "Revenge." The rest of the fleet held funeral services at which well-known hymns were sung. An aeroplane in the meantime circled round the fleet in spite of difficult flying conditions. A party of a hundred seamen on the "Revenge" fired the three customary volleys and the "Last Post" was sounded. "Land of Hope and Glory" was played as the officers and men left the quarter deck. The ceremony terminated with the hoisting of the colours and the fleet resumed its cruising dispositions and proceeded up-Channel homewards.

CHINA MAIL LINE.

"NILE'S" NEW STATUS.

REDUCED PASSENGER FARES.

Beginning with the voyage to San Francisco from Nagasaki on April 26 and from Yokohama on April 29 the China Mail steamer "Nile" will be classed as an intermediate steamer and the first-class fare from Yokohama to San Francisco will be reduced from \$300 gold to \$226, according to word received by the Yokohama office of the company. Bookings that have already been made for passage to America on the "Nile" that trip or later will receive the benefit of the reduced rates. This change will place the "Nile" on the same basis as the popular steamer "China" operated by the same company and the reduction of the rates will be a big inducement to travellers. The China Mail boats, three in number, are large, comfortable steamers running between San Francisco and the Orient by the southern route. They are American ships under the American flag. The "Nile" has roomy decks and accommodations for 188 first class and 30 second class passengers. As on the "China," second class passage remains the same as the rates have not been cut, but the classification has been changed. The "Nanking" remains a first class ship. The "Nile" left San Francisco on March 4, with 230 passengers and is due to arrive at Yokohama on March 23. The steamer will make Singapore on this trip.

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THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/5 1/8
To-day's opening rate 2/4 5/8

ALLEGED PERJURY.

FORMER CONSTABLE CHARGED.

LARCENY CASE RECALLED.

At the Criminal Sessions this morning a former Chinese constable was charged before the Police Judge, Mr. J. R. Wood, with having committed perjury in a police court case.

The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. Donald McGregor Goodall (foreman), Francisco Andrade, David Austin, Henry Giffins, Henry Cadogan Best, Isaac Ezekiel Elias, and Louey Po Sing.

Mr. A. Dyer Ball, Assistant Crown Solicitor, outlined the case for the prosecution. He said that on January 22 the accused was one of the witnesses in a case of larceny heard in the police court. Accused gave evidence that he was standing in the doorway of Chinese premises on January 19 when he stopped a man who came running downstairs, and caught him by the coat, which was torn in the struggle when the latter attempted to escape. The accused then alleged that he searched his prisoner and on his person found the piece of silk in respect of which the larceny charge was made.

Mr. Dyer Ball then read the evidence taken in the larceny case in the police court.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

UPPER SILESIA.

LONDON, March 19th.

There are prospects of fierce collisions between the Poles and the Germans during the plebiscite in Upper Silesia, tomorrow, to determine the territory's future nationality. The area comprises 15,000 square miles, with 2,800,000 population. Both sides are conducting a fierce, last-moment propaganda. The Germans have wonderfully organised means to bring up 50,000 out-voters from all parts; as for example, 300 nuns from a convent in Vienna are coming.

Both nations contend that their economic future depends on the rich territory. Allied troops have been widely distributed to supervise the plebiscite and maintain peace. The result of the poll is doubtful.

ENFORCING SANCTIONS.

BERLIN, March 19th.

A message from Mulheim-on-Ruhr states that French and Belgian troops have occupied the western quarter and the Speldorf railway station.

From Duisburg comes the news that the Allies have occupied the railway station at Oberhausen and the locks in the vicinity of the Emmer Canal.

PARIS, March 19th.

With reference to the Berlin telegram it is officially stated that there has been no extension of the area of occupation. The only movement, yesterday, was the movement of troops from two observation posts, whose position was unsatisfactory, to points two kilometres eastward.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN TRADE AGREEMENT.

LONDON, March 19th.

M. Krassin, interviewed in London, said he hoped that the test case regarding the Russian gold, also the two cases regarding the attachment of consignments of timber and potassium brought to England last year, will be decided in the English courts next week. He said that, pending the decisions, all contracts, including even the contract of Sir Armstrong, Whitworth & Co.'s for the repair of Russian locomotives, had to be delayed, owing to the risk of attachment, and Russian locomotives were at present being repaired at Reval or Germany. M. Krassin declared that, despite difficulties of transport, owing to shortage of fuel, those who asserted that Russia had nothing to export will be surprised before summer is finished.

A telegram from Reval says that M. Litvinoff, interviewed, said he hoped that the signature of the trade agreement would lead to Russian and foreign trade centring in London, but the efficacy of the agreement depended on the goodwill of the British Government. Russia had large stocks of flax, hemp, furs, timber and asbestos awaiting export.

RUSSO-POLISH TREATY.

WARSAW, March 19th.

The final Russo-Polish Peace Treaty was signed at Riga yesterday evening, as a result of negotiations, which began on November 12th. The treaty provides that thirty million gold roubles should be paid to Poland within a year. Other provisions are largely identical with the preliminary treaty signed in October. "Domag," the chief Polish delegate, in his speech, said that Poland had at length gained her independence, and hoped to live on friendly terms with Russia. "She would give freedom to all nationalities within her borders. The Diet has voted a new Polish Constitution."

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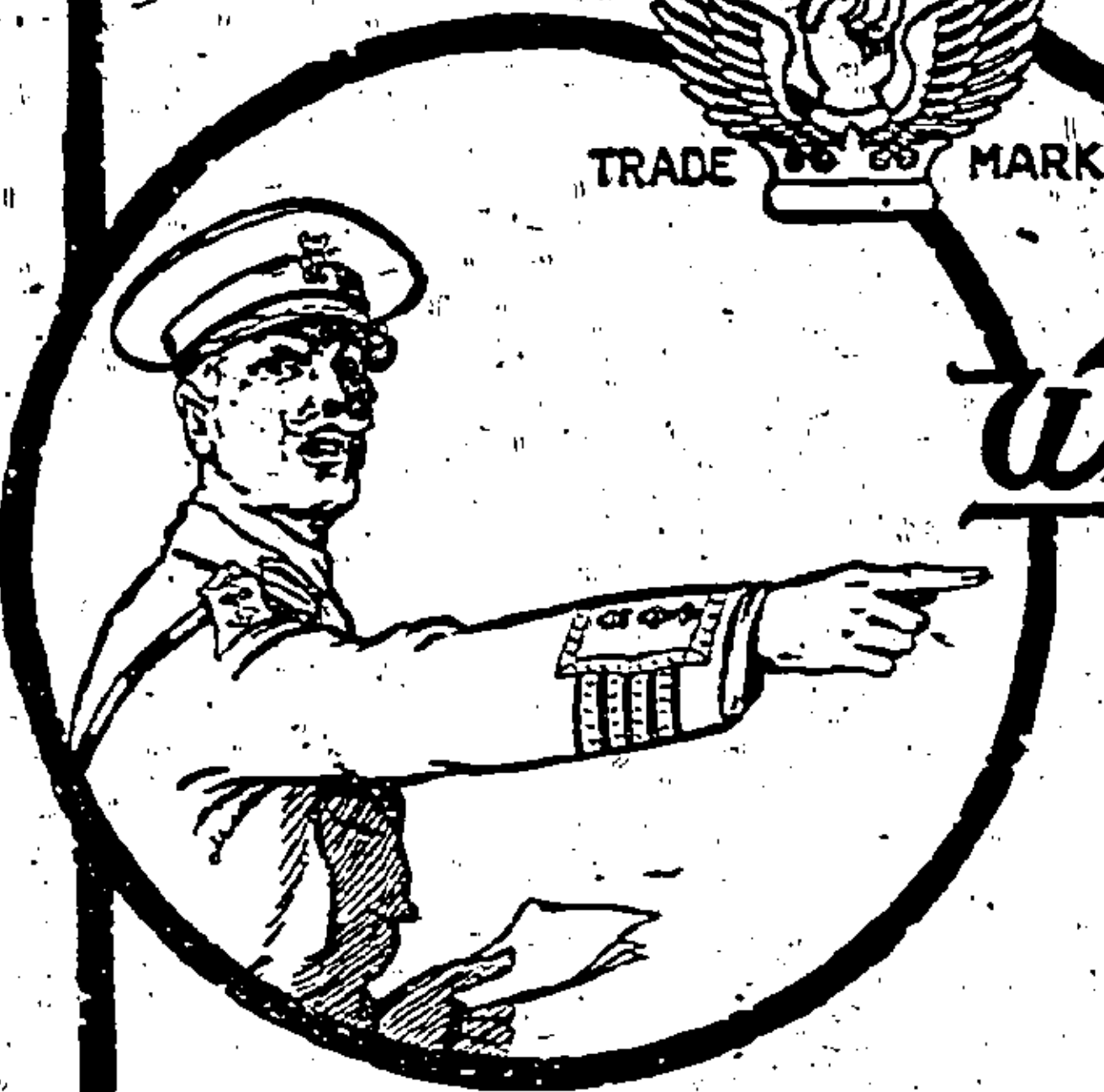
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of the opinion among seamen of the
port of Marseilles, was told, says the
Sydney Telegraph, by Sir Kenneth
Anderson, chairman of directors of
the Orient Steamship Company, who
is at present in Sydney.Sir Kenneth said that he had that
morning read with interest the cable-
gram in which the Orient Company
explained why Australian mails by its
steamers were often one and two days
late in reaching London. "I fully
concur in the views expressed by my
company," he said. "We are opposed
to sending our steamers to Marseilles,
which is a very cramped port, with an
awkward entrance. In certain con-
ditions of weather you cannot enter
the port. You have to lie out at the
Stark open roadstead, and land and
embark your passengers as best you
may in miserable little tenders."We have had that experience
and again it is purgatory for the pas-
sengers and a most undesirable con-
dition of affairs. As the steamers used
in this traffic get bigger the embar-
rassment of this port are propor-
tionately increased."On the other hand, Toulon, to
which we now run our steamers, is
a magnificent harbour, easily
accessible in all weathers. The
passengers land and embark in com-
fort. Why should we be called upon
to make use of an undesirable port
in order to make good the deficiencies
of the French railway system? If
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the removal of mails from Toulon.""The Orient Company 'discovered'
Toulon—just as it 'discovered'
Taranto—and it is not prepared to
abandon that excellent port without
good reason. We would willingly go
back to Taranto, through which port
we claim we gave an excellent service;
but the disturbed state of the Italian
railways and other economic con-
ditions in Italy make that impracticable
at present."Australians should bear in mind
that a good one-third of the whole
distance of this mail transit is land
transit, and the cost of accelerating
land transit is very much less than
that of accelerating sea transit. I
have not the exact figures to show
what it would cost to speed up the
ships sufficiently to save a couple of
days, but they are startling. It is
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Rose, C.I.E. The British signatures
to the petition were subscribed jointly
with those of several highly placed
Chinese well known to the Legation
having exceptional authority and
influence on all matters of finance,
industry, and commerce in China.This event is of considerable
significance, as it is the first time in
history that British interests have
been granted a charter from the
Chinese Government, having such
unique privileges and wide scope as
this one possesses.In granting this Charter, the Chinese
Government does not arrogate
any of its powers as a Government,
but issues a mandate giving full
authority to the petitioners to form
a corporation having half Chinese and
half British capital operating under
its own agreed Articles of Assoc-
iation and bye-laws, copies of which
will be filed in the British Legation
in Peking and the Chinese Ministry
of Trade and Commerce.Hitherto the most serious draw-
back to the expansion of trade and
industry in China has been the in-
ability of foreigners to own land and
property outside the Treaty ports,
and the Chinese are now becoming
alive to the fact that such restrictions
are serious obstacles to the advance-
ment of their country.The new Chartered Corporation is
now in process of formation, and it
is anticipated that it will be ready
for business at about the same time
that the recently instituted new four
Power consortium will be in working
order.It is understood that the railway
requirements of China will be one of
the first considerations of the new
consortium, but in addition to rail-
ways there are hosts of other en-
terprises, chiefly industrial, which,
with the assistance of its powerful
Chinese associates and its exceptional
Charter, the new Corporation will be
in a position to develop.One of the principal features of
the new Corporation will be equal
opportunities for all representative
Chinese and British manufacturing
and trading concerns, either in the
direction of obtaining from the Cor-
poration technical and financial as-
sistance for setting up works and
factories of all kinds in China, as to**AVIATION IN CHINA.****PROGRESS AND PROSPECTS.**

A PARTINGTON ARTICLE.

The progress and prospects of avia-
tion in China is dealt with by Mr.
Bowen Partington in his series of ar-
ticles contributed to the *Financier*. He
details what the Chinese Government
has already done in this matter, and
the plans that have been made for the
future. He points out that the great-
est amount of Chinese travel is be-
tween the widely-separated large
centres, and it is in such a sphere
as this that the aeroplane can prove
its immediate usefulness. Whereas
the railroad depends largely upon in-
termediate traffic along its route, and
must necessarily serve all the smaller
communities through which it passes,
the aeroplane is ideally suited to
making 250-300 mile "hops." Its
extensive use would knit the country
through all the large cities in a close
union that would eventually prove of
the greatest material benefit to the
entire nation. Undoubtedly the open-
ing of the vast interior regions to
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means of goods transportation would
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sent. Mr. Partington thinks that it
is within the range of possibility;
therefore, that China may outstrip
her more advanced sister-nations in
commercial air service. She has the
conditions favourable to such develop-
ment, and the effects thereof, politi-
cally, commercially, and economically,
within the next generation may easily
constitute no less than a complete
though peaceful national revolution.the best means of the disposal of
British home-made products in the
markets of China.It is not intended to call for sub-
scriptions from the public at the
present time, but to give British
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only, with which capital the business
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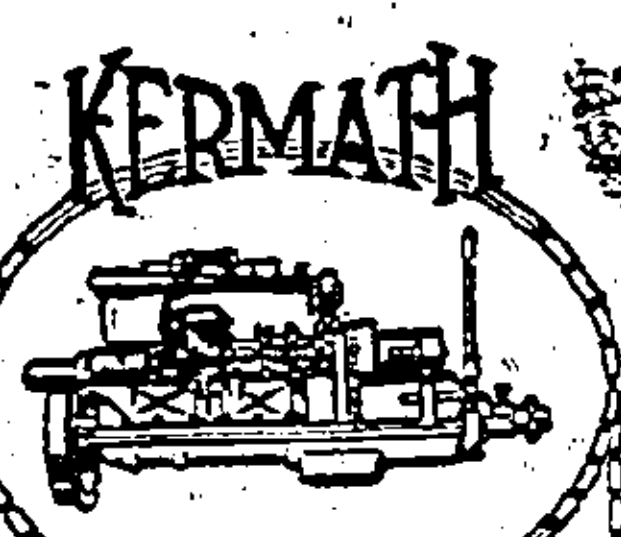
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(For Account of the Concerned),
ON

TUESDAY,
March 22, 1921, commencing at 2.30
p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
AN ASSORTMENT OF
Household Linens, &c.,
Comprising—

Fillow Cases, Fine quality Blankets,
White Satin Quilts, Bed Valances,
Damask Table Cloths, Turkish Towels,
Bath Towels, Bath Sheets, Double Bed
Cases, Drawwork Bedspreads, Table
Covers, Crochet and Drawwork Doilies,
Linen Damask Serviettes,
A few lots of Bellow Valises and
Suit Cases,
And
Three Pairs Binoculars, &c.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 16, 1921.

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
ON

TUESDAY,
March 22, 1921, commencing at
2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNI-
TURE, BRASS AND TEAKWOOD TRIN
BEDSTEADS, CARPETS,
&c., &c., &c.,
comprising—

Mirror back Sideboard, Dining Table,
Chairs, &c., (Lane, Crawford make),
Chesterfield Sofa, Arm-chairs (new),
Card and Occasional Tables, One
Upolstered Suite, Bedroom Furniture
comprising Teakwood Twin Bedsteads,
large and small Wardrobes,
Dressing Tables, and Chairs, Wash-
stands, &c., (Lined Teakwood), Side-
boards, Dinner Waggon, Extension Din-
ing Tables and Chairs, &c., Dinner
Services, Crockery, and Glass Ware,
Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, &c., Bath
Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware,
Electric Reading Lamps, Teakwood
Screens, Sundry blackwood Furniture,
Side Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures,
&c.

Also
One Auto Piano with about 50 rolls
in good condition.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
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Hongkong, March 16, 1921.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell at their Sales
Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner
of Ice House Street,
One full size BILLIARD TABLE by
Barrington & Sons, with all accessories,
(good as new).
Full particulars from the undersigned.
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Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 16, 1921.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction
(For Account of the Concerned)
ON

THURSDAY,
March 24, 1921, at 2.30 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
Steel Motor (Cargo Lighter,
at present stored in Messrs.
KWONG LEE'S Yard, Yauwattai,
Built 1917.

Length O.A. 70' 0"
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Motor 50 H.P.
D.W. 70 tons.
Complete with Anchors, Navigating
Lights, Dinghy and all accessories.
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TION—A FEW THREE ROOM,
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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

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structions to sell by Public Auction
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ON

TUESDAY,
March 22, 1921, at 11 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
A number of lots of Medical Books,
Encyclopaedia Britannica with re-
volving Bookcase, 29 vols. Educational,
Yachting, Fiction, &c., including the
History, Arts, and Literature of China
and Japan, International Library of
Famous Literature 20 vols. Lloyd's
Encyclopaedia Dictionary, 7 vols.
&c., &c., &c.,
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HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, March 17, 1921.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions from Mrs. A. Brown to sell
by Public Auction,
ON

WEDNESDAY,
March 23, 1921, commencing at
2.15 p.m., at Her Residence,
No. 66, Bonham Road,
THE WHOLE OF THE
Valuable Household Furniture,
Eric-bron, &c., &c.,
therein contained.
As follows:—
HALL—Teak Hall Stand and Side
Tables, Drawing Room—Large
Easy Chairs Pouffe and Chesterfield
Sofa (by Wm. Powell), Blackwood
Cabinets, Tables, Stands, &c., Water
Colours and Engravings, Old Brass
and Bronze Curios and Several Lots
of Chinese S-eol. and Blue and White
Porcelain, Carpets, Rugs and Curtains
(Lane Crawford & Co.), Dining
Room—Large Mirror Back Side-
board, Dinner Waggon Ex. Table,
Chairs, Cabinets, Electro Plates and
Cutlery, Glass Crockery, Ware, &c.,
including several lots of Silver Ware,
Bedrooms—Teakwood and Brass
Mounted Bedsteads, Wardrobes,
Dressing Tables, Washstands, Writ-
ing and Card Tables, &c., Bed and
Table Linen, Blankets, &c., Bath-
room, Pantry, and Kitchen Utensils.

Also
A collection of Old Gold and Silver,
Coins (Japanese) in case, Electric Fit-
tings, Barometer and a large quantity
of Pot Plants.
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To be had on application to the
undersigned.
On view from Tuesday, 22nd, just
before 11 a.m., and 6 p.m., and day of
Sale.
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Hongkong, March 10, 1921.

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INTIMATIONS

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 325, E.C.

**AN "EXTRAORDINARY LODGE
OF EMERGENCY" will be held
TODAY (Monday), March 21st, 1921,
at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely, in cele-
bration of the SEVENTY-FIFTH
ANNIVERSARY of Freemasonry in
Hongkong and South China.**

All Brethren, resident and/or visiting
are invited to attend.
Brethren who intend being present
are requested to notify the Secretary.

By Command of the W.M.,
A collection on behalf of the Funds of
the Hongkong and South China Masonic
Benevolence Fund Corporation will be made.
Hongkong, March 18, 1921.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN &
MORTGAGE COMPANY, LTD.

**THE TWENTY-FOURTH ORDIN-
ARY ANNUAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company**
will be held at the Offices of the Com-
pany, St. George's Building, No. 6,
Connaught Road, on THURSDAY, the
24th March, 1921, at 11 o'clock A.M.
for the purpose of receiving a statement
of Accounts and the Report of the
General Managers for the year ending
31st December, 1920, and electing a
Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company, will be CLOSED from
THURSDAY, the 17th March, 1921,
until THURSDAY, the 24th March,
1921, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, March 12, 1921.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will
be held in the Office of the Company,
2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
TUESDAY, 29th March, 1921, at Noon
for consideration of the Directors'
Report and Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 31st December, 1920.

The SHARE REGISTER and
TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED
from 19th to the 29th March, 1921,
(both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, March 7, 1921.

HONGKONG BOXING
ASSOCIATION.

NEXT TOURNAMENT.
MING YUEN GARDENS,
THURSDAY, 24th March.

Main Event
Immediately after the Interval.
WELLSFORTH CHAMPIONSHIP.
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Booking Motormen's MONDAY, 21st
Members only (on production current
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TUESDAY to THURSDAY, 22nd to
24th, General Public.

Special Trains will be run.
GEORGE G. N. TINSON,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 15, 1921.

THE HONGKONG LAND
RECLAMATION CO., LTD.

NOTICE

**DURING my absence and until fur-
ther notice Mr. LESLIE SOLBE
GREENHILL, has been appointed
acting Secretary.**

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 18, 1921.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE

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acting Secretary.**

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 18, 1921.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON &
MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE

**DURING my absence from the
Colony and until further notice
Mr. GEORGE ERNEST ELLMS,
has been appointed acting Secretary.**

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 19, 1921.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the
public that the undersigned,
Mr. ROY C. BURDIN, has severed
his connection with Thomas W.
Simmons & Company, as of March
15th, 1921, and as Managing Director
of this Company is authorised and
has full power to sign for and on
behalf of our company.

THOS. W. SIMMONS & CO., LTD.
By ROY C. BURDIN,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, March 18, 1921.

WAR MEMORIAL

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

**FOR the erection by Public Sub-
scription, of a building to be
run on Y.M.C.A. lines, to be called
the WAR MEMORIAL INSTITUTE
and to be managed for the joint use
of the Navy, the Army and Civilian
by a Joint Board of Directors.**

A portion of the sum raised will
be devoted to the erection of a
permanent stone memorial which
will be put in hand at an early date.

Lists may be found at—
Messrs. Lane Crawford,
"Kelly & Walsh,"
"Muirie,"
"Wm. Powell, Ltd.,
The Hongkong Club,
"Club Lescage,"
"Engineers' Institute,"
"Victoria Recreation Club,"
"Kowloon Cricket Club,"
"Kowloon Bowling Club,"
"Peak Club,"
"Club de Regatta,"
"Craigengower Club."

M. J. BREEN,
Hon. Secretary.
War Memorial Committee.

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

**HIS EXCELLENCY the GOVER-
NOR, has kindly consented to
novel a MEMORIAL TABLET in the
Pavilion to those Members of the Club
who fell in the War, on TUESDAY,
22nd March, at 5.45 p.m.**

Members, Subscribers and Ladies
are invited to be present.
L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 18, 1921.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

**THE FIRST GYMKHANA is fixed
for SATURDAY, April 2nd, 1921.
Draft Programmes and Entry Forms
may be obtained at Race Course, Hong-
kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.
Entries CLOSE WEDNESDAY,
23rd March.**

Hongkong, March 18, 1921.

**SOCIETE DU
"GRAND HOTEL DE PEKIN"**
Societe Anonyme Francaise au Capital
de \$100,000.

Issue of 10,000 Debentures of
\$100 each
Bearing Interest at the Rate
of 8 per cent.

To be redeemed by twenty annual
drawings the first one to take
place in 1922.

SECURITY.—The total amount of
assets of the Company under
reserve of preferential rights re-
cognized to the series of 2,000
debentures of Frs 500 each, issued
on 1st July 1917, redemption of
which is to take place on December
1922 and may, from now, be
claimed by holders of debentures
from the Banque Industrielle de
Chine, in Peking, where funds
have been constituted to that
effect.

PRICE OF ISSUE.—At par but
The first coupon of interest of
\$4—being payable on the 30th of
June represents a premium of 2%.

Subscription list opened from the 1st
to the 15th of April, in all the Branches
of the Banque Industrielle de Chine in
China.

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For full particulars and conditions

apply to the Auctioneers at their Sales

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Messrs. HASTINGS & HASTINGS,

Solicitors for the Vendor.

Hongkong, March 19, 1921.

OUR PACIFIC NAVY.

FUTURE HEADQUARTERS.

SINGAPORE OR HONGKONG?

Whatever other results may accrue
from the Naval Conference which is
to be held by the Commanders-in-
Chief of the China, East India and
Australia Squadrons at Penang—pre-
sided over by Vice-Admiral Sir Alex-
ander L. Duff, Commander-in-Chief
of the China Station—one thing is
certain—the naval value of Singa-
pore will be considerably enhanced,
and it may eventually supplant Hong-
kong as the headquarters of the Pacific
Fleet, says the L. & C. Express.

Its strategic value is immense. Lord
Jellicoe has recommended that it
should be the headquarters of the
Admiral commanding whatever force
may be maintained by the Imperial
and Colonial Governments in the
Pacific. The safety of the route to
India, the Far East, New Zealand, and
Australia, and the alternative route to
the Cape, is one of supreme impor-
tance to the people of the countries
mentioned, and many outlying parts
ings.

of the Empire. This conference of
Senior Naval Officers is regarded as
the preliminary to the Imperial Con-
ference which will be held in London
in June next, when the representatives
of the Imperial Government and those
of the Colonial Governments will dis-
cuss the Pacific problem, the safety
of the overseas Dominions, and other
matters which the Great War has left
in an unsettled condition. Absolute
co-ordination is essential in naval mat-
ters if the safety of the Empire is to
be put beyond yea or nay.
There is naturally considerable in-
terest from the Empire point of view
attaching to the assembly at Penang
of the Naval Commanders of the
China, Australian, and East Indian
Squadrons. Incidentally, the assem-
blage at Penang indicates the very
central position that that Colony oc-
cupies in the Pacific, a matter that
the late Mr. W. H. Read frequently
called attention to. The Pacific ques-
tion attracts a good deal of notice in
the public eye at the moment, and it
is thought the Penang Conference will
probably discuss the situation gener-
ally, as well as the main features of
the present local situation. Such mat-
ters include the question of the pre-
sent financial stringency, strategic
separation of the Pacific Squadrons,
and the high cost of fuel. Much good
from the Empire defence point of
view should result from such gather-

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Butcher Meat.		Poultry.	
Best Steaks—Mal Long Pa	20	Chicken—Kai Tai	35
"Prime Out	21	Capons, Small—Sin Kai	32
"Corned—Ham Ngau Yek	22	Capons, Large—Sin Kai	36
"Roast—Shin	20	Duck—Ap	40
"Breast—Ngau Nam	16	Dorset—Pan Kau	40
"Soup—Tong Yuk	16	Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai (fresh) per doz.	28
"Steak—Ngau Yek Pa	20	Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai (fresh) per doz.	28
"Steak Steaks—Ngau Lan	20	Fowls, Canton—Kai Tai	38
"Sausages—Ngau Cheung	25	Fowls, Canton—Kai Tai	38
Salmon's Bones—Ngau No per set	10	Geese—Nga	25
Tongues, fresh—Ngau Lan each 50		Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap, each 40	
Tongues, cooked—Kian Ngau Li		"Hohow—Hoi Hoi Pak Kap	
Head—Nga Tan	20	Turkeys, Cook—Fo Kai Kung lb.	70
Heart—Ngau Sam	18	Turkeys, Raw—Fo Kai Na	55
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kiu	18	Snipe—Shia Tai	25
Feet—Ngau Kiu	10	Phasian—Shia Kai	1.10
Kidneys—Ngau Yek	18	Quail—Om Chai	24
"Ngau Mei	18	Partridge—Chai Kai	75
Liver—Ngau Kiu	18		
Tripe (undressed) Ngau To lb.	5		

Liver,—Ngau Kon	lb. 15	
Tripe (andressed), Ngau To	lb. 5	
Head and Feet,—Ngau-tai		
au-keak	each \$1.00
On Chop,—Yeung Pui Kwai	lb. 32	
Leg,—Yeung Pui	lb. 32	
Shoulder,—Young Shan	lb. 32	
Saddle,—Yeung On Yuk	lb. 32	
Chilblins,—Chu Chong	lb. 32	
Brains,—Chu No	per set 2
Feet,—Chu Keak	lb. 15
Fry,—Chu Chap	lb. 16
Head,—Chu Tan	lb. 15
Heart,—Chu Sam	each 10
Kidneys,—Chu Yiu	each 10
Liver,—Chu Kon	lb. 32
Chop,—Chu Pui Kwai	lb. 25
Leg,—Chu Pui	lb. 30
Loin,—Chu Han Tun	lb. 34
Head or Lard,—Chu Yan	lb. 23
Feet and Feet,—Young		
Tau-Keak	each bot 70
Heart,—Yeung Sam	each 10
Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	each 12
Liver,—Yeung Kon	lb. 32

Fruits.		
Almonds,—Hang Yan	lb. 47
Apples, (California),—Kam Shan	lb. 35
	Pung Ko
Bananas, (Ordis's), Macao,—San	
	Hang Chin
Carambola,—Yung To	each 12
Cocoanuts,—Ye To	each 12
Lemons, China,—Ling Mung	lb. 8
Lemons, (America),—Kam Shan	each 10
	Ling Mung
Lichees, Dried, (small stone)	each 10
	Lai Chi Kon
Oranges, (Canton), Sweet	lb. 10
	Shan-sheng Tin Guang
Oranges, Tin Chang	lb. 15
Pears, (Canton), Cooking,—Sha Li	lb. 10
Pears,—Fa Shang	lb. 12
Pearlman, Large,—Hung To	lb. 10
Plantain,—Tai Chi	lb. 10
Pineapple, Siam,—Tsim Lo Yan	each 12
Walnuts,—Hop To	lb. 12
Grapes,—Po Tai Tai	lb. 30

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BIRTHS.

FAIRBAIRN.—On March 14, 1921,
at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W.
E. Fairbairn, a daughter.
MERRILLES.—On March 15, 1921,
at Tientsin, to Mr. and Mrs. A.
C. B. Merrilles, a daughter.
BLOWN.—On March 14, 1921, at
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. O.
C. Blown, a daughter.

DEATHS.

MACHADO.—On March 14, 1921,
at the General Hospital, Shang-
hai, Maria Rosa de Senna
Machado, beloved wife of Juliao
Machado, in her 52nd year.
CORNABY.—On March 11, 1921, at
Kuling, William Arthur Cornaby,
of the Wesleyan Mission,
Hanyang, in his sixty-second
year.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1921.

KOWLOON'S NEW HOTEL.

The news sensation of the week-
end, the item that figures in con-
versation between "Have you
heard?" and "Well, that's that,"
was the announcement made by
Mr. Lowe at the meeting of the
Hongkong Hotel Company on
Saturday. This enterprising com-
pany, which has elevated our taste
and standard of requirement in the
matter of hotel comfort, not only
at Repulse Bay but in town, has
arranged to erect in Kowloon a
two-million dollar hotel. Begin-
ning its existence as a white
elephant, the parent hotel has
continued ever since to falsify the
predictions of the pessimists who
are always with us. They said
that the Repulse Bay enterprise

would "never pay," and learn that
it has paid well from the outset,
and promises better for the future.
A factor that had not been counted
in was the genius for this particu-
lar kind of business shown by Mr.
and Mrs. Taggart, who make a
point of getting every detail "just
right." In a place where "cheap
skates" have been catered for by
cheese-paring profiteers, content to
sell bare necessities for a narrow
margin over cost, we were in dan-
ger of ignoring the real comfort
that more enlightened people ex-
pect elsewhere, to ensure which
niggardliness must be forewarned
both by caterer and client. Why
shouldn't we have the best? We
can afford it. There are people
who still comment on the charges
made by this company, some jocular-
ly, some gloomily, but when
challenged they always admit that
they have no fault to find with the
value offered, and that they know
of no place where they have known
it better. So far we have to con-
gratulate these people on the enter-
prise they have shown, and to wish
them the full rewards to which
they are entitled. Their new enter-
prise deserves something more.
The accommodation it will provide
is a public necessity, so much so
that the Government not long ago
was threatening to put up a hotel
in Kowloon. We refer to it as a
threat rather than a promise, be-
cause we do not like government
hotels, and because we suspect that
the Government never really meant
it, that it was merely endeavour-
ing, in its machiavelian way, to
bring others up to the scratch.
We may congratulate ourselves
that it is our local company which
"bit," and not any outsiders. We
know now that it will be all right
in every way. If Kowloon goes
ahead as we all expect it to, and
the most shrewd observers are satis-
fied it will, the shareholders should
have no reason to regret that they
jumped in where others hesitated
to venture. Audacity, audacity,
always audacity, has been suggest-

ed as a suitable motto for their
advisers, but that is because most
of us can see no further than our
noses. It is shrewdness and fore-
sight that is leading these people
on from success to success. In ten
years more they will probably have
a big place at Castle Peak, because
Repulse Bay, all built over, and
with the Round-the-Island street
cars clanging by, will have become
more urban than rural, and drum-
mers will chew their cigars in its
artistic pergolas, while the present
clientele will be one-stepping in a
still more gorgeous caravanserai
at Castle Peak.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

French Air Attaches are to be
appointed shortly to several capitals,
including Tokyo and Peking.

The Very Rev. Father Nunes,
Bishop-Elect of Macao, left by the
"Karmala" on Saturday, for Rome
and Portugal.

Mr. Norman T. Jelly, who was
one of 13 members of one company
of United States Marines who sur-
vived an action in Belleau Wood, arrived
in Hongkong by the "Nanking" to
enter the consular service here. He
is accompanied by Mrs. Jelly.

After a strike lasting several
days, during which a considerable
quantity of sugar accumulated for
packing, the packers employed by
the Taikeo Sugar Refinery resumed
work on Saturday on condition that
their demand for higher wages should
be considered by the contractors
through whom they are employed.

The marriage of Miss Ellen
Brentnall to Mr. Reginald Nash, of
Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's, took
place at the British Consulate-General,
Hankow, on March 10, before H. M.
Consul-General, Mr. H. Goffe, C.M.G.
After the ceremony, which was a
very simple one, the newly wedded
couple left by the str. "Luckwa" for
down river upon their honeymoon.

Our Nagasaki contemporary
publishes a telegram from Hongkong
stating that the British cruiser "Car-
lisle" has been stranded near Swatow
and sunk, breaking into three pieces.
The "Carlisle" it will be remembered,
went to the rescue of the steamer
"Hongmoh," which was stranded and
became a total loss, and evidently
the names have got mixed up in the
message.

Mr. J. M. Wright received \$200
in Singapore, after suing for \$500,
from Messrs. Platt, Jensen and Co.,
as damages for wrongful arrest on
an allegation that the plaintiff was
absconding from the Colony to evade
a pending civil suit. In the course
of his judgment, his honour said it
seemed to him that while no
expressed malice had been shown on
the part of the defendants there were
not enough facts to justify plaintiff's
arrest. The only evidence defendant
seemed to put forward was that
somebody told them that Mr. Wright
was going away.

Amongst the Shanghai Municipal
Council Report for 1920 the *Shanghai
Mercury* notices that for the first year
for twenty years there were no foreign
deaths from scarlet fever. The great
pandemic of influenza which opened
in 1918 gradually waned but still
made its presence felt at the begin-
ning and the end of 1920. Diphtheria
was unusually prevalent in mild form.
Eggs in rats was again introduced
by ships, an unusual occurrence was
a death from anthrax due to an
infected shaving brush. Cholera was
present during the summer but made
little headway.

A Belgian paper tells of a woman
living at Mons who is denied a mar-
riage licence because she does not
know her name, age or birthplace,
and therefore "has no legal exist-
ence." The case is analogous to that
of a man named Mahony who was
hanged some years ago. When the
prison physician pronounced him dead,
the body was cut down and delivered
to relatives. Life was not extinct,
however, and a few hours later
the man was quite himself again.
He was shot by a murderer some
time afterwards, but the assassin could
not be brought to justice because, as
the Court said, "Mahony was legally
dead, and therefore could not be killed
subsequently by anybody."

At the moment the most power-
ful ship in commission on the waters
is the Japanese battleship "Nagato,"
which hoisted the pennant at Kuro
last month for her maiden commis-
sion. The "Nagato" embodies the
lessons learned at such terrible cost
in the Battle of Jutland, it is claimed,
though that is by no means certain.
The "Nagato" has a displacement
of 33,500 tons, carries eight 16-in.
guns of 45 calibre, a secondary
armament of twenty 5.5 in. guns,
and a torpedo equipment of eight
22-in. tubes, while her speed is well
up to 25 knots. The concentration
of stout armor on the most vital
parts of the "Nagato" has been
carried out by the Japanese designers,
but the principle of giving well-
considered protection to other parts—
bow, stern and all along the water
line—has not been lost sight of,
while the breadth of beam—one of
the lessons of Jutland—has been
considerably extended.

SPORT.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

CHALLENGE SHIELD SEMI-FINAL.

R.G.A. v. WILTS.

The R.G.A. and the Wilts. met on
the Club ground on Saturday at 4.30.

A keenly contested game was the
result, both teams being old rivals.
After a grim struggle the R.G.A.
came out victors by the single goal
scored. They now have to meet the
"Titania" in the final—the game
ought to be worth watching.

After some minutes of midfield play
Henwood scored for the Gunners. A
pretty piece of combination on the
part of the R.G.A. forwards gave him
an opening. Eluding the Wilts left
back he shot hard into the net, giving
the goalie no chance.

After this the Wilts. settled down
to equalize and looked as if they would
do so on several occasions. Walker,
the Gunners goalie, was in great
form, however, and kept his charge
intact.

No further scoring took place.
Mr. Leece was Referee.

FIRST LEAGUE.

Titania 5 Kowloon 1
Police 1 S. China 0

"TITANIA" v. KOWLOON.

Kowloon went down heavily to the
"Titania" on Saturday, scoring but
once to the Sailors' five goals.

For the first few minutes of the
match, and indeed through the better
part of the 1st half the Kowloonites
had far the better of the exchanges,
their forwards losing some easy
chances. The "Titania" scored first,
from a penalty. From the kick off
Kowloon went straight down field and
equalized—Mason intercepting a pass
from Coombes and beating the goalie
with a cross shot. After this their
missed chances galore. The "Tita-
nia" forwards were more successful
in front of goal, scoring twice more
in the first half. In the second half
Kowloon fell away and the Sailors
notched another two goals. Mr. Hol-
lands was the referee.

POLICE v. S.C.A.

Reinforced by the redoubtable
Swan in goal, the Police turned out
on Saturday confident of beating the
versatile Chinese eleven. This they
did, running out victors by the odd
goal scored. Hillier putting his side
on top early on in the game. After
this the game was of a ding dong
nature both sides trying hard to score,
with the Police, having slightly the
better of the attacks.
Mr. Master was Referee.

SECOND LEAGUE.

"Carlisle" 2 Club Res. 0
S.C.A. 1 Kowloon 0
United 2 St. Joseph's 2

"CARLISLE" v. CLUB.

The Sailors won this match by 2
clear goals. They were a far better
balanced team than the Club Res. and
played with more combination, but the
Club team played quite well consider-
ing and caused their opponents anxiety
quite a few times.

S.C.A. v. KOWLOON.

A very even game ended in a win
for the Chinese by 1 goal, Kowloon
pressing hard most of the time after
their reverse without success.
Mr. Sambells was in charge of the
game.

UNITED v. ST. JOSEPH'S.

United did well to share the points
with their opponents on Saturday.
Simmons missed a penalty for them
early on and at half time; St. Joseph's
led by 1 goal.
In the second half St. Joseph's
notched another but in the last
quarter of an hour of play United pressed
hard scoring twice in rapid succession.
The Referee was Mr. Drayton.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

C.S.C.C. v. K.C.C.

The Civil Service C.C. made the
League Cricket Shield safe for them-
selves this season by defeating the
K.C.C. on Saturday by 20 runs, the
last batsman pulling the side out of
a very awkward position. Kowloon,
who were playing at home, batted
first and scored well with 1 wicket
for 18 runs, 2 for 28, 3 for 56 and 4
for 81. Then a rot set in, and a
procession to the pavilion followed.
The fifth wicket only added 6 runs,
the sixth nothing, and by the time
nine wickets were down, only 93
runs were telegraphed on the score
board. The whole side was eventu-
ally disposed of for 107 runs, of
which Reed with 36 was the chief
contributor.

The Civil Service started their
innings confidently, with a particu-
larly batting very well. The first
wicket fell for 36, and at 46; Sayer
was dismissed. Then the excellent
beginning proved decisive. Three
batsmen were out for 57, 4 for 71, 5
for 73 and 6 for 74. Stalker did the
most damage in the bowling depart-
ment, and with 63 runs for the fall
of seven wickets, it looked as if it

would be anybody's game. Here the
tail asserted itself, with Fincher lead-
ing the string with 21. With 96 on
the board for the fall of eight wickets,
the others set out to do the trick.
They made useful contributions to
the total, and soon Kowloon's figure
was hit out at, and the innings yield-
ed 127 runs, a very creditable pull-
through.

The scores were—

KOWLOON.

C. M. Goodall, c and b Reed 36
E. L. Braga, l. b. w. Reed 6
J. Stalker, run out 0
C. I. Stapleton, c Edmonds b
Hamilton 21
K. R. Macaskill, c Sayer b Reed 13
C. P. James, c de Rome b Hamilton 3
A. W. Ramsay, b Reed 0
J. P. Robinson, c de Rome b Reed 0
R. Pestonji, c and b Hamilton 0
H. Overy, not out 8
L. S. Bates, b Hamilton 2
Extras 15
Total 107

Bowling Analysis.

Bird 8 3 31 0
Reed 16 3 5 35 6
Hamilton 9 1 36 4

CIVIL SERVICE.

F. J. de Rome, b Pestonji 10
R. C. Wickett, b Stalker 42
G. R. Sayer, b Pestonji 4
H. F. Bevan, c and b Stalker 6
F. Ling, b Pestonji 0
E. W. Hamilton, b Stalker 0
C. C. Fincher, c Overy b Stalker 21
H. Strange, l. b. w. Pestonji 6
R. E. O. Bird, b Stalker 11
E. B. Reed, c Macaskill b Ramsay 13
W. H. Edmonds, not out 10
Extras 10
Total 127

Bowling Analysis.

Pestonji 15 0 59 4
Overy 4 1 16 0
Stalker 11 3 1 40 5
Ramsay 1 0 2 1

THE LEAGUE TABLE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	P.
Civil Service	8	7	1	0	21
R.G.A.	8	6	2	0	18
C.R.C.	8	3	2	3	12
Craigengower	8	3	3	2	11
H.K.C.C.	7	3	2	2	11
I.R.C.	8	2	4	2	8
University	8	1	4	3	6
Staffs	8	0	8	0	0

* Programme completed.
† Withdrawn.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

H.K.C.C. v. I.R.C.

A weak Indian team played a
friendly match against the H.K.C.C.
on Saturday and were hopelessly
beaten by the big margin of 131 runs.
The bowling proved too formidable
for the Indians who went down for
the low score of 68 runs (all out). W.
J. Hope was responsible in a large
measure for the success of the H.K.C.C.
getting the remarkable average of
4 for 1 in ten balls.
The scores were—

INDIANS.

O. Rumjahn, b Webster 0
S. A. R. Ismail, not out 21
E. Moosdeen, c and b Day 5
S. K. Rahamud, c Day, b Farthing 5
J. S. Curram, c Webster, b Farthing 12
R. Nazarin, c Dorkins, b Farthing 1
Y. A. Wahup, b Farthing 4
N. Kitchell, b Hope 0
A. Razack, b Hope 0
F. M. Arculli, c Dorkins, b Hope 0
S. A. Bux, b Hope 21
Extras 21
Total 68

Bowling Analysis.

Webster 8 2 15 1
Day 11 1 19 1
Farthing 5 0 11 4
Hope 14 0 1 4

H.K.C.C.

R. E. A. Webster, c Ismail, b
Curram 0
J. R. MacPail, b Curram 19
W. H. Hope, c Razack, b Curram 11
R. M. Madden, b Curram 2
H. H. Taylor, b Ismail 27
G. H. Piercy, run out 21
L. J. Davies, c Rumjahn, b Ismail 9
H. A. Sawyer, b Ismail 0
G. M. Dorkins, c and b Ismail 28
H. H. Day, c Curram, b Nazarin 50
F. H. Farthing, not out 6
Extras 6
Total 199

Bowling Analysis.

Curram 13 1 69 4
Moosdeen 5 0 20 0
Ismail 11 5 48 4
Wahup 8 0 47 0
Nazarin 13 0 9 1

K.C.C. 2nd v. C.S.C.C. 2nd.

In the match, which was played at
Happy Valley on Saturday, the
second XI of the K.C.C. secured the
defeat their senior team received at
the hands of the Civil Service by
inflicting a crushing defeat on the
latter's second string, winning com-
fortably by 106 runs.
The scores were—

KOWLOON 2ND.

E. J. Edwards, b Taylor 31
W. T. Elson, retired 50
L. McDonald, l. b. w. Sara 40
E. H. Alderson, l. b. w. Gill 3
R. H. Jewsbury, c Knight, b
Thornton 23
L. Pritchard, st. Knight, b Gill 4
E. P. Spinks, h. w. Taylor 14
A. G. Pile, c Thornton, b Gill 12
P. J. Newman, b Taylor 4
F. G. Herbridge, not out 1
W. F. J. Gorvin, b Taylor 1
Extras 4
Total 187

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Sara 8 1 45 1
Taylor 8 0 53 4
Murphy 4 0 22 0
Gill 8 0 31 3
Thornton 4 0 32 1

CIVIL SERVICE 2ND.

Booker, c Pritchard, b McDonald 13
Teechi, b Gorvin 15
Thornton, b Gorvin 0
Chapman, c Elson, b Gorvin 0
Murphy, c Edwards, b Gorvin 11
Gill, run out 1
Mastrell, b Gorvin 12
Sara, b Spinks 7
Taylor, b Gorvin 0
Winfield, not out 8
Bryan, b Pile 5
Extras 4
Total 81

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Gorvin 7 0 26 6
McDonald 6 0 28 1
Spinks 4 0 18 2
Pile 1 0 9 1

BILLIARDS.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

The final of the open tournament
for the Billiards Championship of the
Colony between the twin brothers A.
J. and L. A. Osmund to decide who
shall meet P. A. Yvanovich, the
holder of the Championship, in the
Challenge round, was played at the
Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday
evening before a large gathering of
interested spectators.

The game, which was 1,000 up,
was full of interest, and resulted in a
win for "A. J." by 226 points. The
final scores were: A. J. Osmund,
1,000; L. A. Osmund, 774.
Play commenced at 6 p.m., with
"L. A." opening the game. A. J.
Osmund started in brilliant fashion,
scoring 60, the highest break during
the evening. He followed this with
40, 32, 26, 23, 21 and 21. L. A.
Osmund's breaks were 46, 36, 32, 28
and 22.

At 7.45 p.m., when the session
adjourned until 9 p.m. the scores
stood: A. J. Osmund 519; L. A.
Osmund 369.

Again in the second half the big-
gest break was compiled by A. J.
Osmund, who made 53 (48 off the
red). His other breaks were 42,
42, 37, 36, 33, 29, 28. His brother's
chief breaks were 43, 32, 32, 29, 29
and 22.

Both scored quickly throughout,
but from the beginning there was no
doubt as to which of the brothers
was the better, and A. J. Osmund
thoroughly deserved his victory.

The pair reached the final from an
entry of 19 contestants.
Mr. W. Farner, who won the Can-
ton Club tournament this year, re-
fereed. He is also the generous
donor of one of the prizes.

HO KONG TONG CUPS.

Play in the above Handicap at the
Palace Hotel is held up owing to the
indisposition of Insp. W. G. Gerrard
who ought to have met E. Guimaraes
to-night.

Sgt. Major Stroud and R. Thomas
will meet in the Semi Final on
Thursday, March 24.

Mr. J. H. Oxberry, Proprietor of the
Palace Hotel informs us that he has
a limited number of books containing
the latest rules of Billiards, Pool,
Pyramids, Snooker, Volunteer
Snooker and Russian Pool.

These have been received from the
Billiard Association and Control
Council. Anyone wishing to pur-
chase them can do so by applying to
the above Hotel.

INTERSPORT ROWING.

COMING SHANGHAI REGATTA.

The following is from the N.C.
Daily News just to hand.

Interport rowing events are to be
held in conjunction with the spring
regatta at Shanghai, in May. The
event starts on Saturday, May 21st,
and will be continued on Sunday,
Monday, and Tuesday following.

Invitations to attend have been sent
to Hongkong, Kobe, Tientsin, and
Yokohama, but at present, it rather
looks as if only Hongkong and Kobe
are likely to be able to attend. Still,
if these two ports are represented,
we should have a most interesting
regatta. It is not yet certain whether
they will be able to put in eights,
but fours and pairs are considered
a certainty, and, of course, there will
be sculling. In view of the likelihood
of strong crews from these ports,
Shanghai's possibilities are starting
early, and so long as their training
proceeds on judicious lines, satis-
factory results ought to be obtained.

That the training will be on such
judicious lines is a practical certainty.

WEST-POINT BLAZE.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

OUTBREAK IN KOWLOON.

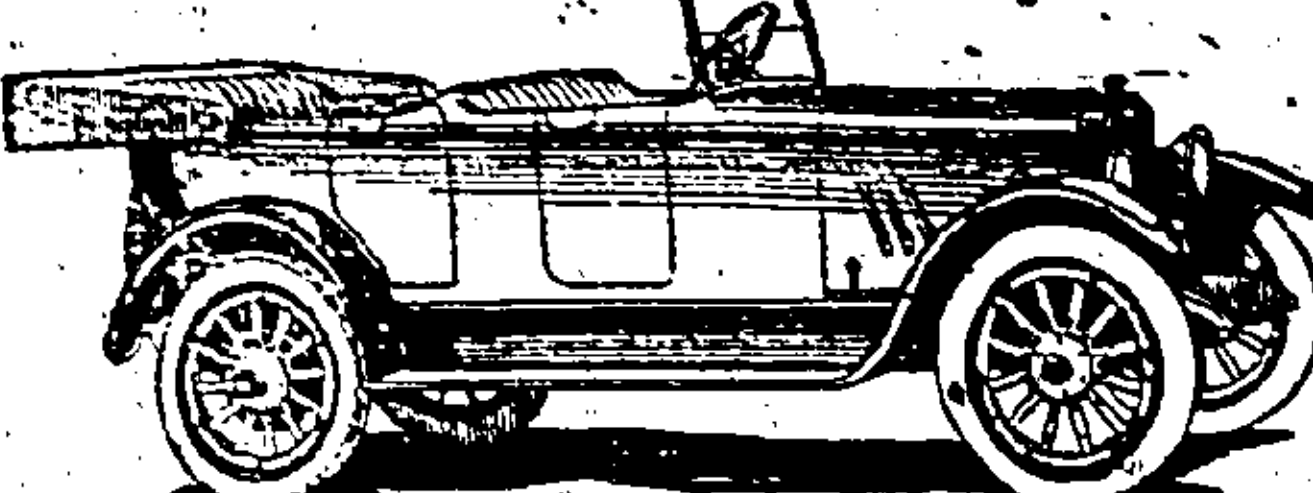
About 5 o'clock on Sunday morn-
ing, the Fire Brigade received a call
to an outbreak in West Point, and
on arrival found the second floor of
the house at the corner of Queen's
Road West and Wilmer Street well
ablaze. It was a full half hour before,
after a strenuous fight, the brigade
got control of the flames, which
had been confined to the one floor.
This was almost completely gutted.

The premises, which were occupied
by the Kwong Wah Loong medicine
shop, contained a large stock of
medicine the whole of which was
either destroyed by fire or damaged
by water. Property on other floors
of the house also suffered damage by
water. During the struggle with the
flames, a ladder was placed against
the verandah in order that the
firemen might get at the flames
better but as foot was set to it
the old masonry suddenly gave way
and the whole balcony collapsed.
The extent of the damage is not yet
known. The house is covered by
insurance. The cause of the outbreak
is a mystery.

The Kowloon Brigade was also
called out on Sunday when about 6.25
p.m. a fire broke out on the first
floor of No. 145, Reclamation Street,
Yau-mai. The flames, which
did not have much time
to develop were promptly tackled,
and after a short but stiff fight, were
extinguished. The damage, it was
estimated, could be covered by the
sum of \$50. In this instance also
the cause of the outbreak is un-
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[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, March 21.
Following the news of the trade agreement between Britain and Russia the value of the rouble over the week end appreciated from \$3 to \$10 per thousand. It is expected further to improve. Speculators are active.

FAMINE RELIEF.

SHANGHAI'S UNIQUE EFFORT.

GENEROUS RICH COOLIES.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, March 21.
Saturday's tag day in aid of famine relief was unique in the annals of Shanghai. Four thousand students and boy scouts participated. The poor element including rich coolies, were willing givers. The drive has been extended to the end of March.

RACING MISHAPS.

CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

JOCKEYS INJURED.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, March 21.
There was a chapter of accidents at the extra race meeting held on Saturday. Vida and Rowe both broke bones and two other jockeys suffered minor injuries.

NEW UNIVERSITY.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, March 21.
The organization having been nearly completed, the South-Eastern University is expected to open in the autumn.

CHINESE PRINTERS.

STRIKE CONTINUES.

STRIKERS TO START A NEWSPAPER.

The Chinese printers' strike is still in progress. Last Saturday the employers are reported to have held a meeting in the Koon Nam Restaurant to form a new society as a protection against the workers demanding an 8-hour day and the employers prepared to grant that demand. The new society is said to have pledged itself to boycott employers granting the 8-hour day and to impose a fine of \$500 on any employer a member of the society who defaults in this respect. As a consequence, it is stated, one of the 30 employers who had granted the 8-hour day again reverted to the 11-hour day, whereupon the employers affected promptly resumed their strike.

At a meeting of the King Yuen Printers' Guild, held yesterday to discuss the strike, it was unanimously agreed by those present that the Guild with a membership of over a thousand, should form a company of newspaper publishers and printers, with shares of \$1 each, to employ all members thrown out of work by the strike.

Rumours in Wuchow of hostilities between America and Japan sent the price of flour bounding up from \$2.75 to \$4.50.

The Bishop of Victoria conducted a confirmation service at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, last evening. Eleven candidates were presented.

Canton toothbrush makers threaten to strike unless given a 30 per cent. increase in wages. A week is the limit allowed the employers to give a satisfactory answer.

MURDER TRIAL.

CHINESE HAWKER'S DEATH.

CURIOUS COINCIDENCE.

Before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, four Chinese were charged with having on January 9, at Sheung Sha Wan, a village in the New Territories, murdered a Chinese hawker.

The following jury was empanelled—James Henry Donnan (foreman), Sydney George Fenton, Fred Fisher, Arthur Leon, Lancelot Alexander Barton, Charles Percival Archer, and Walter Morley.

The Attorney-General, Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, conducted the prosecution, and Mr. A. Drummond, instructed by Mr. Penton, the defence.

Mr. Morley applied for exemption. His Honour: On what grounds? Mr. Morley: I am acting secretary of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., the Secretary Mr. Tarrant, having left the Colony on March 18. I am doing his work as well as my own.

His Honour: What is the European office staff? Mr. Morley: There is only one European, myself. The rest are Chinese.

His Honour: Will Mr. Tarrant be away long?

Mr. Morley: Eight or nine months. His Honour: I cannot exempt you for eight or nine months. You might be called to serve on a jury next month.

Mr. Morley: I would be better able to cope with the work then. His Honour: This case will exempt you. You will not have to sit again this year.

Exemption was therefore refused. Outlining the prosecution, the Attorney-General, Mr. J. H. Kemp, said that in this case, as in most murder cases, the evidence was circumstantial; in other words the Crown had no witness who actually saw the murder committed, but had to infer the guilt of the prisoners from various circumstances. However, in this case the prosecution got very near to direct evidence, as two of the witnesses for the prosecution entered the house where the murder was committed shortly after the crime. The jury must apply to the evidence the ordinary rules of inference used in everyday life. Of course, if there were any doubt about an inference the prisoners were entitled to it. Apparently in this case the motive was robbery as the deceased had in his possession a certain quantity of cloth and also some small change for trading purposes. To the jury that might seem a very insufficient motive for such a serious crime, but they must use their commonsense and knowledge. They knew, as a matter of fact, that murders were committed for what seemed to us very insufficient motives. In any case, while the prosecution suggested robbery as the motive, it was not necessary to prove why the murder was committed. Counsel then explained that if a number of men were present at a murder, either actually taking part in the crime or merely standing ready to help if necessary, then all the men were legally guilty in equal degree, and it was not necessary to prove who was the actual murderer. In this case the prosecution could not prove who actually committed the murder but it hoped to prove that all four men were present, that they all participated in a common design to attack and rob the deceased, and that they were all present to assist in the crime if necessary. The murder was committed about 3 p.m. on January 9. By a curious coincidence two men, who would be called as witnesses for the prosecution, heard a noise in a certain house in the village. In response to their knock the door was eventually opened. Inside they found the four prisoners and another man not now in custody. On a table in one of the rooms, they found the cloth produced in Court and in the back room the body of the deceased. An attempt was made to detain the two men who were offered a share of the booty, but eventually they got away and informed the police with the result that the four prisoners were arrested still in the village. A purse, the property of the deceased, was found in the possession of the first prisoner. The evidence would show that the second prisoner rented the house the day before the murder. On the third prisoner was found a key which happened to fit the lock of the house. The fourth prisoner was present when the two men entered.

Evidence was then taken.

WAR AT SEA.

SECRETS REVEALED.

GREAT RECORD OF THE MERCHANT SERVICE.

The record of the British Merchant Service in the great war is an epic of heroism and unflinching devotion. In "The Merchant Navy," vol. 1 (published Murray, 21s. net), forming part of the Official History of the War, Mr. Archibald Hurd brings the glorious story down to the sinking of the "Lusitania" and the appearance of the German ocean-going U-boats. There is much that is new in this volume; the full details of the "Lusitania's" loss have not before been disclosed, nor has it been known that a U-boat early in the war very nearly got into Scapa Flow.

This vessel was U 18, and her attack was made on November 23, 1914. She reached the boom at the entrance to the Flow but found that the Grand Fleet was not inside; it was actually at sea on a sweep. U 18 thereupon made for Cromarty, imagining the British were there, but on her way she was rammed by a gallant British trawler and her periscope was hit and damaged.

"She submerged to 65 feet. Life thereafter to those confined in U 18 became an unending struggle to escape from the most horrible of deaths. She rose and sank erratically at alarming angles; the submarine descended to 165 feet. Then twice in succession there came a bump, indicating that the hull had touched the hard bottom of the sea. Up the submarine came to the surface, and then followed another crash. This time she had been rammed by the destroyer "Garry."

She was finally compelled to hoist the white flag and surrender, when all her crew save one man, were rescued. She was the first submarine put out of action by a vessel of the auxiliary patrol, manned by fishermen.

The Official History states definitely that two torpedoes (not one as the Germans pretended) were fired at the "Lusitania." Her loss was due to a chapter of accidents and to the fact that her captain misunderstood the Admiralty instructions to zigzag. "believing these tactics were to be adopted only in the actual presence of submarines and not also in waters where they were merely suspected to be operating."

She had been warned that submarines were active off the south coast of Ireland and had been instructed to "pass harbours at full speed" and keep a mid-channel course. She did not steam at full speed or keep a mid-channel course, but for reasons which in the opinion of the court of inquiry were defensible.

HOME TRADE.

MANCHESTER MARKET.

LATEST WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. James F. Hutton and Co., Ltd., Manchester, reported on Wednesday/March 16, 1921.

Cotton prices have fluctuated within a narrow range and show little change from a week ago. The undertone of the markets seems to be slightly better, although Liverpool still fails to respond to the better United States reports; prices have shown more resistance to selling, in spite of the demand for cotton on a very small scale. There has been rather more short covering but there are plenty of offers to supply the demand and near months remain the weakest. Predictions of a very large reduction in the acreage of the next American crop have had some effect on sentiment and it would certainly seem that if the present low rates continue for the next few weeks, they are sure to influence growers to a great extent. That there will be a reduction from last year is certain, but whether it will be sufficiently large to influence prices in the near future is a doubtful point, as there is, in any case, a very large supply of cotton in hand to meet requirements. There is nothing new to record in the state of our market. In both the yarn and cloth sections business remains extremely dull, and in spite of prices appearing to be on a very low and attractive basis, there is little inclination to operate. At the same time the belief grows that, although there is as yet no buying to support it, the position is slowly mending. It is not however expected that a return to good trade will be rapid, but rather that new buying for the various markets will set in slowly as stocks are cleared and for goods of which they are in the most urgent need. Yarn and cloth prices are barely changed, but dyers notify reductions all round for dyeing. The Board of Trade Returns for January show a reduction of 40% in the exports of cotton goods from Great Britain as compared with the corresponding month last year, and a reduction of 60% from 1913. There are decreases to nearly every country, the main exceptions being Australia, New Zealand, Chile, Mexico and the Straits Settlements.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

TREMORS FELT LOCALLY.

"NANKING" BADLY SHAKEN AT SEA.

Through the courtesy of the Director of the Observatory, Mr. T. F. Claxton, we are able to publish the following particulars about the two earthquake shocks recorded at the Observatory on Saturday, March 19. The first commenced at 4h.20m.4 p.m. with tremors of 1 inch amplitude. These tremors lasted until 21m.0 when the needle made large excursions backwards and forwards on the sheet, finally going out of range to westward at 21m.3. (A westerly movement of the needle indicates an easterly movement of the instrument pillar.) By the time the needle had been adjusted to the centre of the sheet (at 23m.0) the disturbance had finished.

The second shock commenced at 7h.4m.4 p.m. with small tremors which continued until 5m.0. At this time oscillations of 0.6 inch amplitude commenced, dying away at 5m.6. The maximum traverse of the recording needle is 4 inches which, with the present adjustments, represents a horizontal earth movement of 0.043 inch. It is by no means certain, however, how much of the movement is a horizontal thrust, and how much a tilting of the ground. Nor can we be certain how much of the movement of the needle is due to the vibration of the pendulum itself, when once set in motion.

It has been known for many years that the duration of the preliminary tremors on a seismogram is a measure of the distance of the origin and the exact relationship is still being investigated.

According to Omori's formula the origin of Saturday's earthquake should be about 300 kilometres from Hongkong. Its bearing cannot be determined from the records of one pendulum.

The Captain of the s.s. "Nanking" reports that he felt this earthquake when off the Lammocks in latitude 23deg. 9' N. and longitude 117deg. 13' E. at 4.20 p.m. The ship was shaken rather badly for five seconds. Another vessel in latitude 23deg. 31' N. and longitude 117deg. 30' E. felt a shock at 4.21 p.m., and also at 7.5 p.m.

No serious damage was reported when a slight earthquake shock was felt in Canton and Hoam on Saturday afternoon at 4.15. The shock, according to the local paper, lasted for about 15 minutes.

THE LENTEN MISSION.

CLOSING EXERCISES.

The mission conducted during last week at the Roman Catholic Cathedral by the Rev. Fr. Lynch, closed on Sunday evening. Again there was a huge congregation and the missioner preached a helpful sermon on Perseverance. There was an impressive scene at the conclusion of the service when there was a general renewal of baptismal vows. As these were repeated everyone held aloft a lighted candle. Father Lynch later pronounced the Papal blessing to all who had made the mission. At the request of Bishop Pozzoni a collection was taken for the North China Famine Fund. It met with an immediate response, a sum of \$339.50 being raised.

The largely attended Lenten conferences given by the Very Rev. Father Lynch at the Catholic Cathedral having terminated yesterday, the Catholic Press Day will be celebrated in the same Cathedral on March 31. The preacher on this occasion will be a Rev. Father of the Jesuit Mission of Shinghing, West River. The Rev. Maestro Antonio Riganti will conduct the music.

The T.K.K. s.s. "Ango Maru" sailed from Hongkong for South America via usual ports of call at 5.30 p.m. on March 18.

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INTERESTING ROMANCE.

THE STORY OF COUNTESS HOEY STOKER.

Lively interest was aroused by the announcement that the wife of the new Chinese Minister is no other than the Countess Hoey Stoker, says the Daily Express.

Dr. Wellington Koo could have made no happier choice. No dance or other social function is complete without the countess and her popular sister, Countess Kan.

Mrs. Wellington Koo is the daughter of Count Vei Hsin, a Java sugar king, who is one of the richest men in the East. She was once lady-in-waiting to the late Dowager-Empress of China.

The new chaperone of the Chinese Legation is Western to her finger-tips, and always dresses in the latest Paris gowns, in which she looks, if anything, more charming than in her gorgeous native robes.

Both sisters drive their own motor cars about London, and the little grey two-seaters are often to be seen threading their way rapidly through the traffic.

Mrs. Koo is a famous beauty. Her wonderful complexion is well set off by dark eyes and jet-black hair. She has an alluring personality, and is a great art collector and ardent theatre-goer.

Her keen interest in world politics, which often took her into the Ladies' Gallery at the House of Commons should be of great assistance to her husband.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

THE Staff and Pupils of ST. PAUL'S GIRLS' SCHOOL are getting up a CHINESE PLAY in aid of the North China Famine Relief Fund. The play is a melodrama in Chinese, entitled "UNCLE KIN," which has been specially written for the occasion by Mr. R. H. Kotewall, and will be produced under his supervision at the THEATRE ROYAL on WEDNESDAY the 30th March, under the distinguished patronage of Lady Stubbs, Lady Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Bowden Smith. A programme giving a synopsis of the play in English will be on sale at the Theatre on the night of the performance. In view of the deserving object of the entertainment, it is hoped that the public will accord it their hearty support.

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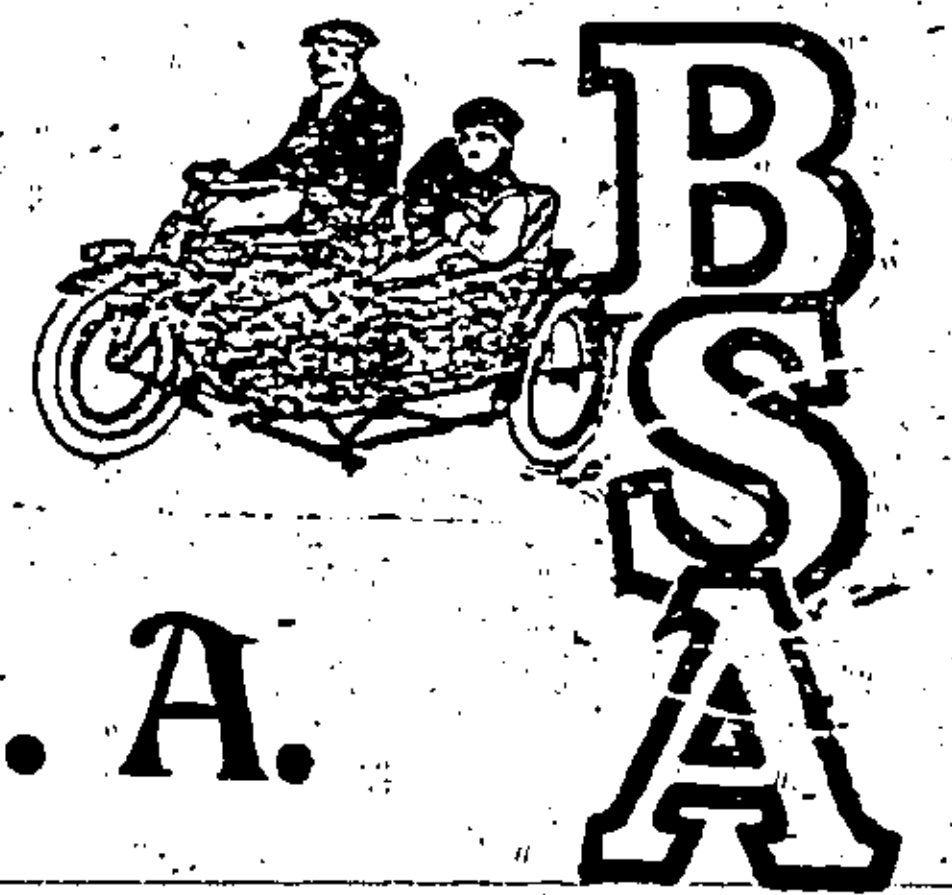
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MISCHIEVOUS PROPAGANDA

New York, March 19th.
A huge gathering, headed by the American Legion, assembled in Madison Square Garden, last night, to protest against the meeting of the German Emperor recently. General Pershing addressed last night's gathering. There was a great demonstration, when a procession of mothers wearing gold stars in recognition of their sons lost in the war marched up to the amphitheatre. The crowd outside listened to impromptu, patriotic addresses.
The meeting inside, unanimously passed a resolution condemning mischievous propaganda and venting the diabolical attempts to breed dissension in America against the Allies.
General Pershing said that Americans objected to citizens of foreign birth who attempted to decide American questions for a foreign reason, thus abusing American citizenship.

SINN FEIN FIRES.

London, March 19th.
Seven fires simultaneously occurred in farms in Surrey and the outskirts of London, and large valuable stacks were burned down. The outbreaks are attributed to Sinn Fein incendiaries.
Nine stacks in a farm in Boxley, Kent, were also destroyed by fire, last night. It is believed that it was a case of incendiarism.
The trial of fourteen men and one woman on charges of conspiracy in connection with the destruction of explosives and Sinn Fein documents at Glasgow has been concluded at the Justice Court, at Edinburgh. Four were acquitted, in two cases the verdict was "not proven" and the remainder were sentenced to terms ranging from twelve months imprisonment to five years' penal servitude, including the woman, who was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment.

London, March 19th.
An exciting struggle for three hours occurred at Cross Barry, near Bandon. Three hundred Sinn Fein men had mined a road and ambushed eight lorries, containing police and military. Three lorries were burned down. Seven soldiers and policemen and four civilians were killed. Five soldiers, including two officers and a policeman, and several civilians were wounded.

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SOUTH AFRICAN EXHIBITION.

AMSTERDAM, March 20th.
The South African Government Exhibition of South African products has been opened by Dr. J. G. van Rensburg, Foreign Minister, who, in his speech, mentioned that the Netherlands' colonies were represented in the exhibition by the stall of the Dutch Colonial Institute.

BRUSSELS MEDICAL SCHOOL.

New York, March 20th.
The Rockefeller Foundation has contributed \$500,000 towards the total of \$1,000,000 for the new buildings and endowments for the medical school in the University of Brussels. The new funds will go to establish a training school for nurses in memory of Edith Cavell and Madame Desgée, wife of a well-known Belgian surgeon who was drowned in the Lusitania.

CITY OF PARIS LOAN.

PARIS, March 20th.
The City of Paris is issuing a new loan of 1,500 million francs for extensive improvements in the transport system, roads, etc. The loan will probably bear interest at 5 1/2 per cent, tax free, and will be repayable within sixty years by means of quarterly drawings. There will be 140 prizes yearly, including one prize of a million francs.

U.S. TARIFF RATES.

Pittsburg, March 20th.
Mr. Weeks, Secretary of War, has suggested to the Chamber of Commerce that for the protection of American industries the Secretary of Treasury will be authorized to change the tariff rates whenever the exchange rates moved sharply from the normal.

BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.

London, March 20th.
In the billiards championship, in the final heat, Newman scored 16,000 and defeated Reese, who had a score of 10,744. Smith (the holder) and Inman did not compete.

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HAINAN NEWS.

[Special to "China Mail"]

KUINGCHOW, Hainan, March 14.

Hainan affairs are quiet at present, but that is no assurance they will remain so. The former revolutionary leader, Sin Ki Zi, is in this city and seems to be on good terms with General Teng. The military governor has made him a general and he retains control of his five southern districts. The military governor has sent several hundred men to Tam Chow city, so the villagers who destroyed the city last October may now expect trouble.

It is reliably reported that the troops which left Hainan when the present regime came into power, have met two reverses, in the region of Lui Chow at the hands of Li Lok Lung's irregulars. Indeed these are said to be in control of affairs at Lui Chow and are being aided by Kwang Si. The general who left Hainan in December, Tsai Teh Zui, and his aide Soa Beng Hoang are said to be in dire straits. As a result of two defeats their men are disaffected and have begun to scatter. Several of the small revolutionary bands which opposed General Soa last autumn, have come to Kuingchow and joined up with General Teng's forces.

The present administration is said to have many plans for opening up Hainan. The most important of these is the projected road from Hoihow to Seng Lang Kang on the east coast. This harbour is a much better one than Hoihow. The road would need to be thirty-five to forty miles long. However, no work is yet under way and no civil official has arrived yet to take charge.

A story of blackmail and its consequences comes from Hoihow. A member of the police force made demands on a humble shopkeeper for a loan of six dollars. The poor man was ready to give four dollars, but the headstrong policeman demanded the full amount. A quarrel arose and the shopkeeper kicked his adversary in the abdomen and fled. The policeman must have been struck in a vital spot for he fell over dead. The shopkeeper has not been found.

Mr. Chas. Gunn, a member of the Presbyterian Mission of Manila, P.I., and architect for the Presbyterian Mission of Hainan, arrived on March 12 on the "Teopao." This is the "Teopao's" first call at Hoihow. Mr. Gunn proceeded on March 14 to Nodoo to consult with others of the Mission as to building plans.

THE DESTRUCTION OF A DISTRICT CITY.

The district of Dam Tsui is in this peculiar island, especially peculiar for the variety of its people. There is the Mandarin speaking remnant descended from Sz Dong-bo, a Pekingese official who on account of a bird and a flower found in Hainan was banished to this island by an angry emperor in the twelfth century. These Mandarin speaking people live in the district city Dam Tsui and in the market towns of Nodoo, Ui-Ngao and Siang-Fo and then there are the Cantonese towns of Lok-Ki and Foutia and the large Haka settlement near Nodoo. The rest of the district is occupied by the Dam Tsui Loi both in villages and several large market

towns. These Dam Tsui Loies are a Malay branch of China's people. They have their own peculiar customs. All eat betel nut and have red teeth and lips; the young men and women do their own courting and have trial marriage, and if these are not satisfactory both take other partners and there is no hard feeling over the matter. The women wear long skirts and short coats and have an elaborate head-dress which commands the care of a professional hairdresser twice a month. Their language is an aboriginal dialect not at all like Chinese in idiom but very much like the language of North Siam, the Laos. Their language is not written so the reading is in Mandarin or Hainanese. The men love study and under the old system of examinations they gained many literary degrees. The heavy work is all done by women.

Some seventy years ago the Mandarin speaking people of the district city won in a lawsuit against the village of Loi people and forty of the Loi headmen were beheaded outside the city wall and their bodies thrown into a well and later a memorial mound and monument was erected by the Loi on this spot.

In the revolution of Sept. and Oct. of last year the Loi took up the cause of the revolutionaries and the Mandarin speaking people upheld the government. When the soldiers fighting for the Kwangsi military government left the district city there was a call for a public meeting on a hillside outside of the city wall, to decide on the new course of a mountain stream. When all were busy discussing this a gunshot was heard and every villager ran for the gate and took up the looting, burning and killing. During the looting and tearing down of houses a number of memorial scrolls or pictures commemorating the previous difficulty with the villagers were brought to light and these inflamed the crowd to madness. No quarter was given. Men, women and children were captured, some sold into slavery, others hacked about the head and shoulder with the heavy knives, or their arms or legs broken by a blow from the clubs carried by the villagers—neither old age or youth escaped. Word was sent out to the villages—neither old age or youth escaped. Word was sent out to the villages of villagers who could not help in sacking the city waited for the fleeing people on the roads near their villages and robbed and murdered them as they tried to flee. A hooked knife was used to catch a fleeing person about the neck and they were ordered to give up their valuables and strip off their clothes, and any who refused were beheaded then and there. The graduates and head men were especially sought after and at one place five of the headmen had gotten twenty miles away from the doomed city but were recognized by a band of villagers and killed at once and left to rot by the roadside. Many sat down and waited in the streets when they reached Nodoo. Others, naked and hungry and sun-blistered, were like insane people—could neither eat or sleep. Shot and hacked and with broken bones they came, some days bands of fifty, naked, reached Nodoo and thus the twenty thousand people were scattered. Boat loads of girls were sent across to the peninsula to be sold as slaves or worse. Boys were taken to hold for

BOSTOCK'S CIRCUS.

RETURN VISIT.

SUCCESSFUL OPENING NIGHT.

Bostock's Royal Italian Circus which is paying a return visit to Hongkong, opened its season next to the post office at Kowloon, on Saturday night, when a large crowd turned out to welcome them, and all the best seats were sold out long before the time the show was scheduled to start. The programme offered was a bumper one and proof was amply given of the audience's appreciation by the applause which greeted every turn. All the artists acquitted themselves so well, that it is difficult to pick out any individual for special praise. The thrills of the evening were supplied by the Aroks Trio who performed extraordinarily difficult "stunts" in midair on the flying trapeze with a minimum of mistakes. Marino, the slack wire king was as popular as ever. No one ever seemed to tire of his performance which was of the highest order. He kept his balance wonderfully throughout and appeared to be so at home, that the more one watches him the more is he at a loss to understand how Max manages it. The animals—elephants, ponies and monkeys all performed pleasing turn which speak volumes for the patience and skill of their trainers. Spuds, the clever clown who never fails to raise a laugh, and his colleagues kept the audience merry with their by-play and humorous sayings. Mile. Lorenzo, the graceful performer on the trapeze pleased immensely with her wonderful acts, which added not a little to the excellent programme.

Daily performances will be given at 9.15 each night, while a matinee has been announced for Wednesday at 5 p.m.

CHINA COAST.

OFFICERS AND ENGINEERS.

LATEST CHANGES.

The following changes are recorded in the latest issue of *Shipping and Engineering*—

Mr. B. Rybalosky has been appointed supernumerary second officer, "Tatung."

Mr. T. A. McLean, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Suyang."

Mr. J. B. Barclay, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Shundao."

Mr. A. Mackenzie, from reserve, has gone supernumerary second engineer, "Szechuen."

Mr. A. A. Jamieson, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Kweilin."

Mr. J. W. Surgeon, supernumerary chief officer, "Kwongsang," has gone supernumerary chief officer, "Tuck-wo."

Mr. D. R. Wilson has been appointed supernumerary second officer, "Wosang."

Mr. H. W. Mills, second engineer, "Yusang," has gone supernumerary engineer, "Hangsang."

Mr. H. W. Fraser, supernumerary second engineer, "Loongwo," has gone second engineer, "Yusang."

Mr. W. Murray, from reserve, has gone supernumerary third engineer, "Loongwo."

Mr. J. B. Anderson, chief officer, "Taishun," has gone chief officer, "Kiangang."

Mr. C. F. Le Patourel, chief officer, "Kiangang," has gone chief officer, "Taishun."

Mr. J. Mackellar has been appointed second officer, "Taishun."

Mr. J. Nicol, second engineer, "Haeen," has gone second engineer, "Tungwah."

Mr. K. Notila, second engineer, "Hsingchang," has gone second engineer, "Tungwah."

Mr. W. P. B. Crawford, second engineer, "Tungwah," has gone second engineer, "Haeen."

Mr. J. Turner, second engineer, "Taishun," has gone acting chief engineer, "Hsingfung."

ransom or as slaves. No houses were left and even the bricks and beams were carted away, so where once was a busy official city of 20,000, is now a heap of broken bricks and tiles. Nothing whole of value remains.

It is said that the day and night before the looting were spent by the villagers at the memorial tomb of their head men, burning incense and calling on the spirits of their dead to assist in the revenge that was to be taken.

"Vengeance belongs to the Lord," I will recompense, said the Lord, and only He can recompense justly.

SMUGGLED ARMS.

RECORDED HAUL MADE.

Yesterday the police found one revolver and 85 rounds of ammunition concealed in a box belonging to a Chinese passenger on the "Eastern" from Sydney. This morning, brought before Magistrate Lindsay, defendant made the usual plea of ignorance of local regulations. He was fined \$250. The contraband was curiously fast.

On the arrival of the "Nanking" from America yesterday, the police had a busy time searching passengers' luggage. Six Chinese stopped on the Praya on their way to boarding houses, were found to have between them not fewer than four rifles, five revolvers and 5,400 rounds of ammunition, one of the biggest hauls made for a considerable time among passengers of any one ship.

This morning, when charged before Magistrate Lindsay, one pleaded ignorance while the others produced permits to export the contraband from America. In most of these cases, however, the amount seized represented only half the quantity mentioned in the permits. The first man was fined \$250 while the others were remanded in order that the C.S.P. might be consulted in the matter.

GAMBLING "LUCK."

INCREDIBLE BELIEFS.

HELP FROM "SPIRIT GUIDES."

Spiritualism is everywhere nowadays, and I have found it in a place where I should least expect to find it—the gambling rooms at Monte Carlo.

Congratulating a woman player on her wonderful luck at roulette, she replied: "It is not luck."

"You mean you have a system?" I inquired. "Certainly it seems very successful."

"No," she replied mysteriously, "it is not a system in the ordinary sense. It is something much better. I will tell you. It is my spirit-guides."

"You mean that the spirits tell you what to play?"

"Certainly," she said, in a tone which left no doubt as to her deep conviction.

"Then why do they sometimes tell you wrong?"

"Spirits are not infallible," she replied; "I thought everybody knew that."

"Then how—" I began.

"I am sorry I told you," she interposed. "I thought you were an initiate. I see you are only a scoffer."

She turned away scornfully.

Now whether spirits can and do interest themselves in the winning numbers at roulette I must leave to such authorities as Sir Oliver Lodge, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and the Rev. Vale Owen to determine. I am not a scoffer, merely an inquirer.

Certainly the idea makes no more strain on the credulity than the belief in mascots and charms which is widely prevalent among gamblers.

I used to think that people just pretended to believe in these things, that they toyed with them as pretty, fanciful ideas which added interest and colour to life.

But not a bit of it. Men and women players here have as firm a faith in their talismans as the lady of my story has in her spirits.

Some of them are a little ashamed of their belief and do not display their mascots openly. They just finger them surreptitiously. But many make no bones about it and vaunt their profound convictions. They can always triumphantly defy anybody to prove a negative.

Men and women bring to the casino all sorts of talismans. Lucky pigs in gold, silver or bog oak are very popular, and so are "touchwood" charms.

Some have their lucky stones or pieces of jewellery or wear special colours which they think bring them good fortune. The shops display numerous devices and amulets. Bracelets of elephant's skin with gold clasps are often seen and some favour rats' tails, or the skin of a venomous snake.

One man was in the habit of bringing to the rooms a small, live tortoise which he kept in his pocket and touched now and again.

Another brought a spider enclosed in a box painted inside half red and half black. He always played on the colour which the spider lodged in after he had shaken the box.

To lose at play is to be lucky in love and, conversely, no lover who has had a winning run at the tables should choose that day to put his fate to the test.

I heard of a woman who refused a man's offer because he proposed to bet on an evening when she had a big win at the Casino.—A. E. Manning Foster in the *Daily Mail*.

DUTCH SHIPPING.

NEW MOTOR SHIP.

VESSEL COMING TO CHINA.

The East Asiatic Co., which recently put the motor vessel "Africa" into commission, report that she has recently returned to Copenhagen after a most successful maiden voyage. The second 13,000-ton motor ship, "Java," was launched at the end of January. She is 445 ft. in length, with a beam of 60 ft. The full cargo is carried on a draught of about 38 ft. 6 in. The "Africa" was built by Burmeister & Wain, but this firm has so many contracts on hand that the "Java" was ordered to have her hull at the Narskov yard. The machinery of the "Java" comprises two 2,220-h.p. six-cylinder Diesel engines, built by Burmeister & Wain. The auxiliary installation, as usual, is wholly electrical, and power is supplied from three Diesel-driven generators, each of 100 kw. The steering gear, cargo winches, auxiliary pumps, and all accessories are driven by electric motors, steam being provided only for heating purposes. The bunker capacity is approximately 1,500 tons, giving a radius of action of 35,000 miles. The "Java" will be placed on the run to China, then to Australia, South Africa and back to Copenhagen, so that it will be necessary to bunker only once during the whole round trip, oil fuel being taken on at Singapore. Judging from the results of the "Africa," the fuel consumption will be about 14 tons per day when carrying a fuel cargo at a speed of between 11 and 12 knots. It is estimated that this is only about 40 per cent. of the oil which would be required on an oil-fired steamer of the same size, and less than 25 per cent. of the coal required in a vessel fitted with coal-fired boilers. The "Java" will be followed by four similar vessels, now under construction at Burmeister & Wain's yard. It is understood that still larger motor craft have been ordered by the East Asiatic Co.

FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

CHAIRS.

I.—In Victoria, with two Bearers.

Quarter hour	10 cents
Half hour	20 "
One hour	35 "
Three hours	50 "
Six hours	70 "
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)	1.00

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per cent.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour	1.00
Three hours	1.50
Six hours	2.00
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)	3.00

III.—In the Hill District.

With 3 Bearer's With 4 Bearer's.

Quarter hour	\$0.15	\$0.20
Half hour	0.30	0.40
One hour	0.45	0.60
Two hours	0.80	1.00
Three hours	1.20	1.50
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)	1.80	2.40

IV.—In the Island of Hongkong, if engaged in Victoria.

Ten minutes	5 cents
Quarter hour	10 "
Half hour	15 "
One hour	25 "
Every subsequent hour	1.00

When the vehicle is engaged within the City of Victoria, and is discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or is discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

V.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour	5 cents
Half hour	10 "
Hour	15 "
Every subsequent hour	10 "

VI.—To the Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the bearer carries the journey to take longer than—

To 4th mile	single—75 cents—1 hour
return—1.00—1.50	
Beyond 4th to 8th mile	single—1.00—1.50
return—1.50—2.00	
Beyond 8th to 12th mile	single—1.50—2.00
return—2.00—2.50	
Beyond 12th to 16th mile	single—2.00—2.50
return—2.50—3.00	

Fares for journeys beyond the 16th mile to be a matter of previous arrangement in each case.

The fares here set out to apply to one vehicle with three coolies from Kiam Sha Tsai.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

Customers are requested to apply for our Revised Price List which came into force on 1st March, 1921.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE Co., Ltd.

LAUNCHING PROBLEMS.

A TICKLISH BUSINESS.

INTERESTING NEW DEPARTURE.

One gets a reminder from the fact that occasionally vessels refuse to leave the ways that the problems of launching are of considerable magnitude. Experiences have from time to time been recorded in the transactions of the Institution of Naval Architects, and Mr. Percy Hillhouse raised this topic in a paper he has presented to Greenock Association of Engineers and Shipbuilders. He dealt on this occasion with the model launching experiments carried out by the Fairfield Company for the purpose of obtaining information which might be utilised in the launching of the battleship "Renown" and C.P.O.S. liner "Empress of Canada." If model experiments are to give the desired information it is very essential of course that the utmost care should be taken to make the model to absolute scale and weight.

We believe that what was done by the Fairfield Company under the direction of Mr. Hillhouse in connection with these launching experiments was in some respects a new departure, says the *Journal of Commerce*. It is hoped that the frankness with which the experimental data was disclosed to the Greenock Association will be imitated by some firms and individuals who are in the habit of maintaining a great deal of unnecessary reticence concerning experimental work carried out for their own purposes.

The launching of large battleships or vessels of the liner class is sometimes a very ticklish business, and this applies with special force to the Fairfield establishment, where the conditions for launching are of a somewhat difficult character. There is, of course, need to exercise great care in applying information obtained from a model hull to a full-sized ship, but experience has shown that if care is taken in the preparation of the model, and in the carrying out of the experiments under comparable conditions to those which are likely to obtain in actual practice these model tests are well worth while.

North China appears to be at ways in trouble of one sort or another, says the *N. C. Daily Mail* if its not Civil War then its Famine, Plague or other disastrous happenings. Pneumonic plague, as the older hands well know, is a most serious epidemic for it is ruthless in its ravages, sparing but a very few whom it attacks. As far as we know, the medical faculty has not yet found any really effective antidote to the scourge but some men, such as Dr. Wu Lien-teh, have been making researches into the matter for several years and it is to be hoped that their labours will be ultimately successful. Previous to the present outbreak in or near to Tschow, Shantung, pneumonic plague was principally found to occur in the colder North Manchurian zone, but its spread to regions further south is ominous. We believe that it disappears with the advent of warmer weather and this being the case it is to be hoped that it will quickly be non-existent in the vicinity of Tschow.

CLIMBING IN JAPAN.

WORSHIP OF MOUNTAINS.

SUPERSTITION AND VOLCANOES.

Before the Japan Society recently the Rev. W. Weston gave an account of his recent explorations in the Japanese Alps.

Mr. Douglas Freshfield, who presided, said that he was one of the few English globetrotters who had discovered that Japan had more than one mountain. He protested against the catchword that Japan had become spoiled. Visitors could still find unmutilated Japan of which they had read and seen pictures since childhood.

The lecturer said that the Japanese worship of mountains was largely coloured with superstition owing to the disastrous power of their volcanoes. A thousand years ago the authorities, alarmed by the volcano in the south of the island, awarded it the Order of the Junior Branch of the Fourth Rank, which would be like presenting Vesuvius with the Italian equivalent of the M.B.E. (Laughter.) The Japanese Alpine Club, which was formed 15 years ago, was now 1,500 strong, and could show a remarkable growth in the most modern sense as a popular recreation, with its own art, literature, and practical development. Every summer the popular climbing centres were filled with students, who combined strenuous recreation with scientific research. They were now learning how good a thing it was for a man sometimes to get out of himself to mount to those high and holy places where the appeal was direct to his spiritual nature.

SURGEON'S COURAGE.

A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE.

OPERATION ON HIMSELF.

Dr. Evan Kane, a well-known Pennsylvania surgeon, believes that many people have an unjustified fear of operations and die needlessly. To remove this delusion in the case of appendicitis, he sat upon the operation table using only a local anesthetic, calmly opened his abdomen and removed his appendix. In the case of others he has done this operation nearly 4,000 times. Other surgeons and nurses witnessed the unique experience. As usual, Dr. Kane allowed his assistants to close the wound.

Seen by reporters a few hours after the operation, Dr. Kane said he was feeling fine. The patient just fast his work on the ground that he wanted to prove to individuals with weak hearts that a general anesthetic in removing the appendix is not absolutely necessary.

A Siamese contemporary states that an important arrest has been made of a Chinese who has been about 20 Siamese lawyers by going to them on false pretences saying that he wished to obtain their services in fighting important cases and promising if they succeeded that the fees would run to four figures. He professed to come from a country and when each of these lawyers left to go to the railway station, his practice was to ask them to let him carry their travelling bags for them and then mysteriously to disappear.

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